

If you've been unemployed for an extended amount of time, we can help you with whatever you may need to find and maintain meaningful and sustainable employment.

We offer one-on-one guidance to assess your current skills and offer training and certification opportunities so you can learn new skills. We can also help you build a fresh resume and practice interviewing to help boost your confidence. Goodwill is here to help you successfully get back into the workforce and we have numerous programs designed to help those struggling to find work.

All of the programs offered by Goodwill Industries of Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties are provided at no cost to you.

You must be able to verify term of unemployment and be at least 18 years of age. Eligibility varies by program and other eligibility requirements may apply. Contact us to learn more.

Why Goodwill?

For nearly 120 years, 156 local Goodwill® organizations across the United States, Canada and 12 other countries have helped people find jobs, support their families and feel the satisfaction that comes from working. Goodwill organizations assist people through a variety of employment placement services, job training programs and other community-based services.

Contact Us

Goodwill® Mission Services

Oxnard

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Simi Valley

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Santa Barbara

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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Santa Maria

204 E. Enos Drive, Suite A
Santa Maria, CA 93454
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Lompoc

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Lompoc, CA 93436
(805) 736-6700

Services can be provided in person at our offices, virtually using Zoom or over the phone, or a combination. We are also able to provide services at various locations for those who cannot come into our offices.

We have bilingual staff available to provide services in both English and Spanish.



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Long-Term Unemployed Services Information



GOODWILL® MISSION SERVICES

Changing Lives Through the Power of Work

Need help finding a job?

Want to grow your career?

Whatever barriers to employment you may be facing, we can help.



“The job gave me a sense of pride and boosted my confidence.”

Mike's Goodwill® Success Story

I lost my home during one of the wildfires and quickly found myself homeless, living in a tent, and struggling to find an apartment. I knew I needed to find a full-time job, but with a gap in employment that spanned several years, and limited experience, I found it nearly impossible. I wasn't prepared for the struggles I faced and really felt discouraged.

I learned about Goodwill's services as I looked for work and met with a Mission Services counselor. They placed me into a temporary paid work experience program which gave me an opportunity to add a current job to my resume. The job gave me a sense of pride and boosted my confidence. I am grateful they believed in me and offered so much guidance and follow-up support.

When the temporary job finished, I was hired on to work full time at Goodwill. I am moving out of town now but know that everything I learned from my time with them will help me find a meaningful job in my new town.

Our Services

Our services are funded from Goodwill retail operations, grants, donations, and contracts to ensure all of our Mission Services programs are available at no cost to qualifying individuals.

Employment preparation and job placement

- Resume building and interview practice
- Individualized assessments
- Job skills development
- Access to job fairs and recruitment opportunities
- Work experience and job placement

Trainings and certifications

- We offer several trainings and certification opportunities designed to help you gain workplace skills in support of your career goals.

Supportive services

- Supportive services are available upon request on a per need basis and may include assistance getting work clothes, tools, bus passes, gas money, and more.

Our Mission

Our mission is to provide vocational and educational opportunities to eliminate barriers to employment, strengthen communities and help people in need reach their full potential through the power of work.

Our Vision

We envision a world where people have the opportunity to reach their highest potential. We believe that every individual has value and by recognizing that value, we can help them find their place in the community. In order to make this belief a reality, we will position ourselves as the premier provider of workforce services.

Our Values

- We believe in the inherent value of work; work has greater value than charity.
- We believe that every individual has the right to be treated with dignity and respect.
- We value an environment that encourages the people we serve to reach their highest potential.
- We value social, financial, and environmental stewardship.

More information:
www.goodwillvsb.org

